

Garboldisham B 150 all out beat North Elmham 82 all out

Garboldisham B made it 3 wins from 3 games as they continued with a perfect start to the new season.

On first inspection the North Elmham wicket looked damp and likely to help the bowlers; this was confirmed when the Elmham skipper won the toss and asked Garboldisham to bat. Openers Ryan Jaynes and Kieran Eagle fell in the first two overs to bring to the wicket Jake Stevenson (25) and Alex Hogg (31). They repaired the early damage with a careful stand of 59 runs in difficult conditions. Alistair Shepherd (28) and Joe Melvin added 36 for the fifth wicket and Melvin (17) and David Fidler (20) a further 34 for the sixth before the innings fizzled out at 150. At the start of the game it was felt that 140 would be a good total and Garby had achieved that target.

Rowan Freake (2 for 14) opened the bowling down the considerable Elmham slope with the wind at his back, he generated good pace capturing two important wickets, veteran John Rogers (2 for 32) volunteered for the uphill end and once again proved difficult to master, bowling 9 overs into the strengthening wind. Josh Asker (1 for 17) and Alex Hogg (1 for 8) continued the pace attack from the top end and Ben Tippet (4 for 8) wrapped up the Elmham innings with a good spell of leg break bowling, wicket keeper Jake Stevenson standing up to Tippet took a good stumping and a fine leg side catch.

No "fifties" or "fivefours" but a very good team effort from 1 to 11, Garboldisham B will prove difficult to beat if they continue in this form.